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THIRD REGULAR SESSION

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COUNTY COUNCIL!

OF THE

COUNTY OF NORFOLK,

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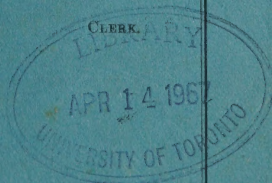
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# MINUTES OF DECEMBER SESSION.

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Tuesday, 13th December, 1881, first day of the third regular session of the Thirty-second County Council.

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The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz:—Messrs. The Warden, McCall, Cowan, Dunkin, Dickinson, Ostrander, Cryslar, Gillies, Coates, Barber, Smith, Wyckoff, Hutchinson, Boughner, Mansell, Green, Robertson, Watson, Clement, Stickney and Porritt.

The minutes of the last two days of the June session were read and approved.

The Warden read several communications and reports, which were laid on the table.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Gillies, seconded by Mr. Green,

Ordered,

That the account of the Village of Port Dover, for planking the swing bridge, be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Barber,

Ordered,

That the report of the Grand Jury of the Court of Assize, be referred to the Committee of the Poor House and Industrial Farm, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Watson,

Ordered,

That the Treasurer's report be laid on the table until to-morrow.



No. 4.—Mr. Ostrander gives notice that he will introduce a bill to-morrow to confirm a By-law of the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, passed on the 5th day of September, 1881, to close up and sell part of the original allowance for road between the third and fourth concessions of the Township of Middleton.

No. 5.—Mr. Green gives notice that he will on to-morrow introduce a By-law to confirm a By-law of the Corporation of the Village of Waterford, numbered 36, passed on the 21st day of Nov. 1881, for purchasing and opening up Alice Street, in the said Village, the same being less than sixty-six feet in width.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Cowan,  
Ordered,

That the petition and communication from the Town of Stratford, with reference to the mail service, be referred to the Committee of the Whole, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Gillies,  
Ordered,

That the report of the Overseer of the Poor House and Industrial Farm be referred to the Committee on the Poor House and Industrial Farm, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. Wyckoff, seconded by Mr. Barber,  
Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.  
And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,  
County Clerk, County of Norfolk.

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Wednesday, 14th December, 1881, second day of the third regular session of the Thirty-second County Council.

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The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz: Messrs. the Warden, McCall, Cowan, Dunkin, Dickinson, Ostrander, Crysler, Gillies, Coates, Barber, Smith, Wyckoff, Hutchinson, Boughner, Mansell, Green, Robertson, Watson, Clement, Stickney and Porritt.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Warden read some reports and communications which were laid on the table.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Smith,

Ordered,

That all charitable claims on the County be referred to the Committee on Finance.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Gillies,

Ordered,

That the bill to confirm By-law No. 36, of the Village of Waterford, be now introduced and be read a first time.

And the bill was read a first time.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Cryslar,

Ordered,

That the bill to confirm By-law No. 36, of the Village of Waterford, be now read a second time.

And it was accordingly read a second time.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Mansell, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson,

Ordered,

That the bill to confirm By-law No. 36, of the Village of Waterford, be now engrossed and read a third time.

And the bill was engrossed and read a third time.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Cowan,

Ordered,

That the bill to confirm By-law No. 36, of the Village of Waterford, do now finally pass and become a By-law of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, and be intitled as in the caption thereon.

And the By-law was passed as is as follows:—

#### BY-LAW NO. 228.

To confirm By-Law No. 36, of the Corporation of the Village of Waterford, for purchasing, opening up and establishing Alice Street.

Passed 14th December, A.D. 1881.

Whereas, it appears to the satisfaction of this Council that all the provisions of the Act in relation to the passing of the said By-law No. 36, have been observed by the Corporation of the Village of Waterford.

Be it therefore enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, in Council assembled, that the said By-law No. 36, of the said Corporation of the Village of Waterford, passed on the Twenty-first day of November,

One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, be, and the same is, hereby confirmed, and declared to have full force and effect from the passing of this By-law.

Passed in open Council on Wednesday the 14th day of December, A.D. 1881.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

County Clerk, County of Norfolk.

T. W. WALSH,

Warden.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Crysler,

Ordered,

That the bill, notice of which was given yesterday, to confirm By-law No. 129, of the Township of Middleton, be now introduced and read a first time.

And the bill was read a first time.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Gillies,

Ordered,

That the said bill be now read a second time forthwith.

And the bill was accordingly read a second time.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,

Ordered,

That the said bill be now engrossed and read a third time.

And the bill was engrossed and read a third time.

No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Clement,

Ordered,

That the said bill do now finally pass and become a By-law of the Corporation of this County, and be intituled as in the caption thereof.

And the By-law was passed and is as follows, viz:—

#### BY-LAW NO. 229.

A By-law to confirm By-law No. 129, of the Township of Middleton, in the County of Norfolk.

Passed on 14th December, A.D. 1881.

Whereas, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, have petitioned the Council of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, to confirm a By-law passed by the Corporation on the 5th day of September, A.D. 1881, No. 129, a copy of which is hereby filed in the County Clerk's office, for stopping up certain portion of allowance for road and for the sale thereof, and other purposes mentioned in the said By-law.

And whereas it appears to the satisfaction of this Council that all the provisions of law in relation thereto have been duly observed by the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, prior to the passing thereof, and that the requisite time has elapsed since the passing of the By-law by the said Corporation of the



Township of Middleton, to justify this Council in taking action thereon, and further, that it will conduce to the general well being of the public to grant the prayer of the said petition.

Be it therefore enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the County of Norfolk, in Council assembled, that the By-Law passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Middleton, on the fifth day of September, A.D. 1881, numbered 129, a copy of which is filed in the County Clerk's office, for purposes set forth in the said By-law, is hereby confirmed and declared to have full force and effect, upon, from and after the passing of this By-law.

Passed in open Council, on Wednesday the 14th December, A.D. 1881.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,  
County Clerk, County of Norfolk.

T. W. WALSH,  
Warden.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,  
Ordered,

That the County Surveyor's report be referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 11.—On motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Smith,  
Ordered,

That the Treasurer's Financial Statement be filed in the Clerk's office for future reference.

No. 12.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,  
Ordered,

That the Treasurer's list of lands of this County, liable to be sold for taxes for the year 1881, be filed in the Clerk's office for future reference.

No. 13.—On motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,  
Ordered,

That this Council do now go into a Committee of the Whole upon the petition and communication of the Town of Stratford.

And the Council went into Committee at 4.50 o'clock p.m., Mr. Barber in the chair. Rose at 5 o'clock p.m.

No. 14.—On motion of Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. McCall,  
Ordered,

That the report of the Special Committee with reference to the Overseer be referred to the Committee on the Poor House and Industrial Farm, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 15.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Dunkin,  
Ordered,

That the report of Dr. Hayes be referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

No. 16.—On motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Clement,  
Ordered,

That Messrs. the Warden, Barber, and Cowan, be a committee to go to Port Dover to measure the River Lynn at the bridge, and report to this Council.

No. 17.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. Ostrander,  
Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

County Clerk, County of Norfolk.

Thursday, 15th December, 1881, third day of the third regular session of the Thirty-second County Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz: Messrs. the Warden, McCall, Cowan, Dunkin, Dickinson, Ostrander, Crysler, Gillies, Coates, Barber, Smith, Wyckoff, Hutchinson, Boughner, Mansell, Green, Robertson, Watson, Clement, Stickney and Porritt.

The minutes were read and approved.

The Warden read a petition and some reports, which were laid on the table.

Mr. Barber read the report of the special committee to measure the River Lynn, at Port Dover.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Stickney,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

“ Your special committee appointed to examine and measure the stream in the Village of Port Dover, over which a swing bridge has been erected, beg leave to report, That they accompanied T. W. Walsh, a Provincial Land Surveyor, to the said bridge and witnessed his measurement of the stream on each side of the said bridge, which in their opinion was fairly and honorably done, with a view



of doing justice to all parties concerned. Further information will be given in his report."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Simcoe, 15th Dec., 1881.

H. J. BARBER, Chairman,  
WM. COWAN.

Mr. Boughner brought the report of the Committee on the Poor House and Industrial Farm on the report of the Grand Jury.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Boughner, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your committee beg leave to report, That excepting the items mentioned in the report of the special committee of the Poor House, etc., no action be taken on the report of the Grand Jury."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. W. WALSH, Chairman.  
D. W. BOUGHNER,  
JAMES HUTCHINSON,  
JOHN STICKNEY,  
WM. PORRITT.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Boughner,  
Ordered,

That the report of T. W. Walsh, Esq., P.L.S., as to the measurement of the River Lynn, at the bridge crossing the same, in the Village of Port Dover, be filed by the Clerk for future reference.

Mr. Dickinson brought the report of the Committee on Finance on charitable claims.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Chrysler, seconded by Mr. Dickinson,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted, and that the Warden is hereby authorized to draw his check on the Treasurer for the amounts mentioned in the said report.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee to whom the above reference was made beg leave to report, That the account of the Village of Waterford for conveying Henry Langs, (a county ward) twice to the Poor House, amounting to four dollars, be paid.

That the verbal petition of Mrs Leach, for the continuance of the grant formerly made to her for the care of Lewis Pearsell, and that she be allowed pay for the keep of the said Lewis Pearsell for the past six months, during which time she has had charge of him.

That the annual grant of twenty dollars payable quarterly, be made to Mary Codlin, of the Township of Walsingham, an idiotic person, and that D. W. Boughner, Esq., be authorized to draw and disburse the same.

That the sum of ten dollars be granted by this Council to pay the expenses in conveying Mrs. Matthews (a county ward) to her friends in Michigan, and that H. J. Barber, Esq., be authorized to draw and expend the same for that purpose."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES DICKINSON, Chairman,  
NELSON GREEN,  
D. A. McCALL,  
JOHN OSTRANDER,  
T. L. GILLIES,  
JAMES HUTCHINSON,  
JOHN STICKNEY,  
H. J. BARBER.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Green,  
Ordered,

That the petition of A. Y. Polley and ten others, be referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges, with power to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Crysler brought up the report of the Special Committee on Accounts.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. McCall,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted, and that the Warden is hereby authorized to issue his check to the claimants of the different amounts mentioned in the Auditor's report, excepting Mrs. Coates' account which is hereby referred to a special committee composed of Messrs. Watson, Mansell and Stickney, who are to report on the same to-morrow, to this Council.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your special Committee on Accounts beg leave to report that they would recommend the Auditor's report to be received and adopted, and the several accounts therein mentioned, be paid.

We would draw your attention to the account of Mrs. Coates, Matron of the Poor House, for sewing done from December 1880, to June 1881, although not vouched for, we think should be paid, as it seems straightforward, and in our opinion we would be obliged to pay. At the same time we suggest that the Overseer be obliged to keep a memorandum of the extra work done in the Poor House, of any kind, in order that a check may be had on any overcharge."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROGER CRYSLER, Chairman,  
H. J. BARBER,  
JOHN D. SMITH,  
D. A. McCALL,  
NELSON GREEN,  
JAS. HUTCHINSON.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

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No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Boughner, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson,  
Ordered,  
That this Council do now adjourn to meet again to-morrow.  
And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,  
County Clerk, County of Norfolk.

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Friday, 16th December, 1881, fourth day of the third regular session of the Thirty-second County Council.

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The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Warden in the Chair.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names, viz: Messrs. the Warden, McCall, Cowan, Dunkin, Dickinson, Ostrander, Crysler, Gillies, Coates, Barber, Smith, Wyckoff, Hutchinson, Boughner, Mansell, Green, Robertson, Watson, Clement, Stickney and Porritt.

The minutes were read and approved.

Mr. Watson read the report of the select Committee appointed on Mrs. Coates' account.

No. 1.—On motion of Mr. Stickney, seconded by Mr. Mansell,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted, and that the Warden be instructed to issue his check for the same.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee appointed to examine into Mrs. Coates' account beg leave to report, That on enquiry Mrs. Coates showed us a scale of prices given to her by the Inspector as to the prices she was to charge for all the sewing done by her for the Poor House. That she has been doing work actually necessary for the Poor House, under that scale of prices hitherto, and has been paid. The present account has accrued for work done under similar circumstances. Your Committee think that Mrs. Coates ought to be paid, as she has done the work in good faith under the scale of prices given her.

Your Committee would suggest to the Council the necessity of taking proper steps to supply the Poor House with the clothing required either by contract



or otherwise, and under all circumstances to insist on proper certificates to all accounts presented to the Council before being paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT WATSON, Chairman.  
NATHAN MANSELL,  
JOHN STICKNEY.

Committee Room, 16th Dec., 1881.

The Warden read the report of the Committee of the Poor House on the report of the Overseer of the Poor House.

No. 2.—On motion of Mr. Boughner, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson,  
Ordered,

That the report of the Committee on the Poor House and Industrial Farm be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

“Your Committee beg leave to report That the report of the County Overseer be received and filed for future reference, and that no action be taken as to providing a bell, as it will not be required during the winter months. Your Committee would recommend that the Overseer do procure a book in which shall be properly entered the name of each person admitted into the Poor House, with date of admission and by whom sent, and that a book shall be kept by the Master of the Poor House in which shall be entered the date of receiving and the leaving of each, or the death of (if any) the inmates of Poor House. Also that only such spirits be furnished as shall be ordered by the medical superintendent, Dr. Hayes, and entered in the books furnished for that purpose.

That a report being in circulation that the Master of the Poor House is in the habit of disposing of various products of the farm and applying the same to his private account: That the special committee of the Poor House be directed to enquire into the truth or falsity of the same rumour, and report to the Council of this county at its next session.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. W. WALSH, Chairman.  
D. W. BOUGHNER,  
JAMES HUTCHINSON,  
WM. PORRITT.  
I. G. WYCKOFF,  
ROBERT WATSON.

Committee Room, 16th Dec., 1881.

Mr. Barber brought up the report of the Committee of the Whole on the mail service.

No. 3.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Wyckoff,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

“The Committee of the Whole to whom was referred a communication from

the Town of Stratford, asking the co-operation of this Council in petitioning the Post-Master General to have the mail service from Stratford north to Wiarton, served by the Grand Trunk Railway, beg leave to report That the Warden be empowered by this Council to sign a petition to that effect similar to the one forwarded by the council of the Town of Stratford, on behalf of this Council, and attach the corporate seal to the same."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. BARBER, Chairman,

Simcoe, 15th Dec., 1881.

Mr. Robertson brought up the report of the Committee on Poor House and Industrial Farm, on the Overseer.

No. 4.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Robertson,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the Special Committee appointed to select an Overseer for the Poor House and Industrial Farm, would recommend that the matter be left in the hands of the said Special Committee until the next session of the County Council."

T. W. WALSH, Chairman,  
WM. PORRITT,  
JOHN STICKNEY,  
D. W. BOUGHNER,  
N. MANSELL,  
JAMES HUTCHINSON,  
CHAS. ROBERTSON,  
ROBERT WATSON.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

Mr. Wyckoff brought up a report of the Committee on Public Buildings, on the report of Dr. Hayes.

No. 5.—On motion of Mr. Barber, seconded by Mr. Porritt,  
Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee to whom the above reference was made beg leave to report That they have carefully considered the matter of heating the Poor House with a hot air furnace, and would recommend no action be taken thereon at present.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. G. WYCKOFF, Chairman,  
J. D. CLEMENT,  
JOSEPH DUNKIN,  
THOS. COATES,  
WM. COWAN.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

Mr. Dunkin brought up the report of the Committee on Public Buildings on the County Surveyor's report.

No. 6.—On motion of Mr. Mansell, seconded by Mr. Coates,

Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee to whom the above report was referred beg leave to report That they have carefully examined said premises and would recommend that Mr. Hunt, the county surveyor, be authorized to carry out the necessary repairs he suggests in his report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I. G. WYCKOFF, Chairman,  
THOMAS COATES,  
JOSEPH DUNKIN,  
WM. COWAN,  
J. D. CLEMENT,  
WM. PORRITT.

Committee Room, 15th Dec., 1881.

Mr. Mansell, brought up the report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges on the petition of A. Y. Polley and others.

No. 7.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Dickinson,

Ordered,

That the said report be received and adopted.

The report read and adopted is as follows, viz:

"Your Committee to whom the above petition was referred would recommend that the petition of A. P. Polley and others asking this Council to assume the control and open out certain portions of the townline between the townships of Woodhouse and Windham and that portion of the said townline lying within the corporation of Simcoe, that no action be taken thereon by this Council, as the municipalities above named and interested, have full power to deal with same as they see fit."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NATHAN MANSELL, Chairman,  
ROBERT WATSON,  
JOSEPH DUNCAN,  
CHAS. DICKINSON,

Committee Room, 16th Dec., 1881.

No. 8.—On motion of Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Cowan.

Ordered,

That the Clerk is hereby authorized to procure the necessary blanks for Assessment Rolls, etc., required for the various municipalities of this County, and that the Warden is hereby authorized to draw his check on the County Treasurer for the payment of the same.



No. 9.—On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Hutchinson,  
Ordered,

That the Warden be authorized to draw his check on the Treasurer in favor of T. W. Walsh, P.L.S., for trip to Port Dover to measure River Lynn, expenses and report, \$4.00, and that the sum of eighty cents be paid for railway expenses of Committee.

No. 10.—On motion of Mr. Crysler, seconded by Mr. Green,  
Ordered,

That Mr. Butler be authorized to employ some person to empty the urine and night soil from the closets connected with the Court House until next session of this Council, and to render his account for the same, provided that no prison labor is available for that purpose.

No. 11.—On motion of Mr. Cowan, seconded by Mr. McCall,  
Ordered,

That the Warden do now leave the chair and that Mr. Wyckoff assume the same.

No. 12.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Crysler,  
Ordered,

That the thanks of this Council be tendered to the Warden for the efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the past year, and that he is hereby authorized to draw his check upon the County Treasurer in his own favor for the sum of fifty dollars, to defray the incidental expenses of his office.

No. 13.—On motion of Mr. Coates, seconded by Mr. Dickinson,  
Ordered,

That Mr. Wyckoff do now leave the chair, and the Warden resume the same. Before Warden resumed the chair he addressed the Council in a few well chosen words, thanking them for the honor conferred on him.

No. 14.—On motion of Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Crysler,  
Ordered,

That this Council do now adjourn.

And the Council adjourned accordingly.

Attest,

JAMES ERMATINGER,

County Clerk, County of Norfolk.







